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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Wisconsin County Clerks  
Milwaukee County Board of Election Commissioners

**FROM:** Diane Lowe, Elections Specialist  
Government Accountability Board

**DATE:** October 21, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Type A Notice of 2017 Spring Election and Other Information

This memo contains information about the Type A Notice of the 2017 Spring Election and the notification of noncandidacy deadline.

## Type A. Notice of 2017 of Spring Election

Included with this communication is the Type A notice of the Spring Election to be held on **April 4, 2017**, which contains all judicial offices to be elected throughout the state, including the statewide offices of State Superintendent of Public Instruction and Justice of the Supreme Court. *All counties notice the offices of State Superintendent of Public Instruction and Justice of the Supreme Court.* Please select the other judicial offices that are up for election in your county, and add any county offices, multi-jurisdictional municipal judges and/or referenda. The Type A Notice of the 2017 Spring Election must be published by all county clerks on November 22, 2016. Whenever a weekly newspaper is used for publication, the notices appear in the newspaper's closest preceding issue.

**Please send a copy of the Type A Notice to each municipal clerk. Municipal clerks are required to publish a Type A notice of municipal offices on the same date, November 22, 2017.**

**Note:** If a Circuit Court Judge or Court of Appeals Judge resigns on or before December 1, 2016, that office will be up for election at the 2017 Spring Election. If a vacancy occurs during this period, we will contact the affected county clerks and provide an amended Type A Notice.

## Explanation of County Executive/Supervisor Term Expiration Dates

### COUNTY EXECUTIVE

The expiration date of the term for the office of County Executive is April 17, 2017. County Executives take office on the third Tuesday in April, which is April 18, 2017.

### COUNTY SUPERVISOR

The expiration date of the term for the office of County Supervisor is April 17, 2017. County Supervisors take office on the third Tuesday in April, which is April 18, 2017.

The statutes do not definitively provide when these terms officially end. They simply state when the term begins. If, due to your county's procedures, you are more comfortable with the expiration date of the term being the same as the date the new term begins, you may use that date.

### **Offices To Be Elected At 2017 Spring Election**

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**State Superintendent of Public Instruction** – This office appears on the judicial ballot in all counties.

**Justice of the Supreme Court** – This office appears on the judicial ballot in all counties.

**Court of Appeals, District 1** – This office appears on the judicial ballot in Milwaukee County

**Court of Appeals, District 2** – This office appears on the judicial ballot in the counties of Calumet, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Kenosha, Manitowoc, Ozaukee, Racine, Sheboygan, Walworth, Washington, Waukesha, and Winnebago.

**Court of Appeals Judge, District 4** - This office appears on the judicial ballot in the counties of Adams, Clark, Columbia, Crawford, Dane, Dodge, Grant, Green, Iowa, Jackson, Jefferson, Juneau, La Crosse, Lafayette, Marquette, Monroe, Portage, Richland, Rock, Sauk, Vernon, Waupaca, Waushara and Wood.

**Circuit Court Judge** - This office appears on the judicial ballot in the counties of Columbia, Dane, Dodge, Door, Fond du Lac, Grant, Green Lake, Iron, Jefferson, Kenosha, Manitowoc, Marathon, Milwaukee, Oconto, Outagamie, Polk, Racine, Rock, Sheboygan, Trempealeau, Vernon, Washington, Waukesha, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago.

### **Additional Information**

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*Please share this information with your municipal clerks.*

**State Referendum Questions** – At this time, there are no state referendum questions or constitutional amendments for the April 4, 2017 Spring Election. However, the legislature has until January 24, 2017 to direct that a referendum question be placed on the ballot, so the possibility still looms. Wis. Stat. § 8.37. We will monitor the activity of the legislature and keep you informed.

**Deadline for Notification of Noncandidacy (EB-163)** - The deadline for filing the notification of noncandidacy for the 2017 Spring Election is Friday, December 23, 2016, at 5:00 p.m. If your office is closed on that day due to the holiday, the deadline is at 5:00 p.m. on the next business day. This applies to state, county, municipal, and school district filing offices.

If you have any questions regarding this memorandum, please contact the Elections Help Desk at 608-261-2028 or [elections@wi.gov](mailto:elections@wi.gov).

Attachment: Type A Notice of Spring Election